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### **CAFE SOCIETY**

### Swank Zebra Room to Open Doors On Evening of Friday, April 28

#### **Gala Evening** Planned by The **Prom Heads**

Plans for transforming the staid library into a swank night club for the evening of the spring prom are going forward under the direction of the various chairmen. The Zebra Room will open its doors at 8:30 on the evening of April 28, and festivities will hold forth until 12:00. Curfew, however, will be strictly enforced.

Main burr in the tail of preparations has been the selection of an orchestra. For various reasons, several local organizations have been eliminated, and a band led by Dick Duane is being considered. Plans were made for (Continued on Page 4)

### TONIGHT IS THE NIGHT FOR PLAY: 'JUNIOR MISS' AT EIGHT

Final rehearsals were made this week by the cast of "Junior Miss" for their initial performance tonight at the Washington School, Salinas, commencing at eight

Miss Faith Fraser, Esjaysee's Dramatics teacher and director of the play, has had the cast give preview skits before the Government Salinas Union High School student body, Washington School Stops Quota students, Kiwanis Club and the Soroptimist Club. Announcements have been sent to service clubs in the community. The skits were very enthusiastically (Continued on Page 4)

#### **OUOTAS**

# Deferment

Deferments for all college students preparing themselves in the field of engineering, physics, chemistry, geology, and geophysics under the quota system effective since last February, have been rescinded by the selective service board in Washington, it

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#### FROM THE FRONT

## Former Student Reported lissing in Pacific Action

Lieutenant Alton Howard, who has been missing in action since from the form released by the September 2, 1943, was awarded government: the Silver Star, which was reing in Mexico.

While participating in the masthead bombing and strafing attack against enemy merchant vessels in the harbor at Wewak, New Guinea, Lieutenant Howard. after courageous fighting, went down with his plane. Lieutenant Howard was the navigator of a B-25D-1 type bomber.

The following is an excerpt

"The action of Lieutenant Howceived by his mother, who is liv- ard in aiding the defense of his airplane by remaining at his duties after one engine was destroyed, with all radio communications broken, and the control of the airplane so impaired that a following attack caused its immediate destruction, was an outstanding example of gallantry in action and will go down in the records of the squadron and of but does not carry interest. It

#### **SOROPTIMIST SCHOLARSHIP** TO BE GIVEN

A one-hundred-dollar scholarship will be given again this year to some girl graduate by the Salinas Soroptimist Club.

Any girl graduating in May and planning to continue her education is eligible. The scholarship money is given as a loan

(Continued on Page 4) the service as a deed worthy of the highest commendation."

We can blame the war for a great many things we have to do without for the time being and we don't hesitate to overdo this fact in our everyday situations, but we still, and always, shall, have music.

Here at Salinas Junior College we have suffered the loss of many students and faculty members to the armed forces. Suffering largely from the unwanted world conflict is the Music Department, which has had to limit itself chiefly to ensemble work, a piano quartet, and a vocal sextet with individual training for the piano also. Non-instrumental classes given are Music Appreciation and Harmony.

Of great loss to the college and department, and to the general public who have witnessed memorable performances, is the S.J.C. marching band and the regular college orchestra, because of the expected large decrease of students.

The change hasn't entirely been to a disadvantage, however, for it has given smaller groups an opportunity for co-ordination and a deeper appreciation of music.

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### Show **SOPH SHOW COMING UP**; REHEARSAL

Plans for the Soph Show are still proceeding, though the date, originally set for April 14, has been postponed because of the presentation of the play, "Junior Miss," on that date, and the following Friday, April 21, has been considered.

The show will consist of dramatic sketches, musical numbers, and much "Hellzapoppin" horse play. It is expected that almost the entire Soph class will participate.

A special overture has been prepared by Mr. McCann, original skits by Shirley Vernon and Armstrong, a special "Truth or Consequences" game, and an old fashioned community sing are scheduled. M.C. for the show will be Shirley Vernon.

A rehearsal has been called for one o'clock today in the Little Theater, and another was considered for sometime yesterday, earlier in the week.

**Talent** 

### 'Junior Miss' Cast Has Outstanding Student Talent

PAST EXPERIENCE OF MANY ASSURES SUCCESS OF PLAY

"Junior Miss," the sensational hit on Broadway, has just been purchased for a Hollywood film production for the reputed sum of \$250,000 and while a movie

cast is being chosen, Esjaysee's case for the same production is semble will play during the eveputting on the finishing touches ning's entertainment. of characterizations for the night of April 14, when this spring semester play is presented to the public at the Washington School in Salinas.

The cast, containing much talent, has, as a whole, had previous acting experience.

Barbara Heple, taking the lead as Judy Graves, appeared in "Ladies in Retirement" when in high school and had a lead in last semester's J.C. production of "The Man Who Came to Dinner," along with other acting experiences.

Lloyd Wesley, also of "The Man Who Came to Dinner" cast, has the male lead in "Junior Miss," and was a cast member of "Out of the Frying Pan," a production presented at J.C. last

Sam McGill, student director of "Junior Miss," and having a role in the play also, made his first appearance before an audience when only five years old with his sisters. He was a member of the senior play at Pacific Grove High School and took part in four productions while attending high school. Now a member of the Gold Coast Troupers of the First Theater in Monterey, he has already appeared in four productions with the company.

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ONE YEAR AGO-One year ago today, water col-

ors done by Dorothy Petznick, art student of the junior college. will be exhibited during the month of April at the DeYoung Museum, in Golden Gate Park in San Francisco.

Tickets for "Junior Miss' are now on sale and orders are received by Kay Carlsen in the main office or from any member of the cast.

### **Old Files**

THREE YEARS AGO-

Three years ago the "Ouija" Board was the thing of the day. This was one way the fellows had of finding out just which girl was madly in love with him. Ha!

President Werner was then taking flying lessons, taking a half hour lesson daily.

Prof: Why did you put quotation marks at the beginning and end of all the answers on your examination paper?

Student: I was quoting from the man in front of me.

#### TWO YEARS AGO-

Two years ago today commencement plans were in full swing with the final rehearsal in the near future.

Corny Corn: "A lot of people have wished they had Hitler six feet under. Many have been granted their wish, but they've had to acquire wings to get it."

S.J.C. was then buying Defense Stamps to buy a jeep. Formal ceremonies in the men's gym were halted by the appearance of a jeep which furthered the effort to buy a jeep.

#### Hawaii and then proceeded to New Caledonia. Valence didn't

First Lieutenant VALENCE

HEINSEN, who attended S.J.C.

in 1937, recently wrote his parents that he had stopped off at

care for Caledonia, so was pleased when he was moved to another location in the South Pacific

JESSE HOMEN in Australia was seriously ill from injuries received in South Pacific, according to a telegram received from the War Department, received by the Homen family.

Second Lieutenant WILFORD MURRAY, now a student in the four-engine pilot school at the army air forces training command at Roswell, New Mexico. He received his pilot wings re-

S.J.C. ART CLUB SPONSORS EXHIBIT OF ETCHINGS IN ART GALLERY

April 10, in the Art Gallery (Room 5) at Salinas Junior College was an exhibit of prints and etchings done by members of the American Association of Print Makers, headed by John Taylor

The exhibit, continuing here for a period of one week, came directly from the De Young Museum in San Francisco and is being sponsored by the S.J.C. Art Club.

The etchings are done by nationally prominent artists, and the exhibit is free to all students and general public. The gallery is open daily Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Some of the nationally famous etchers having their works on display are: Costigan, Gordon Grant, John Taylor Arms, Luigi Luciona, and Eugene Higgins.

cently at Marfa, Texas. Murray attended J.C. in 1941.

#### Music

#### J.C. ENSEMBLE PERFORMS FOR SALINAS WOMAN'S CLUB

#### GROUP PLAYS DURING THE YEAR FOR VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS

The Salinas Junior College en- | McCann and Spirow Nicholaw; a local city organization, the Frances Phillips; violin, Clydene Woman's Club, last Tuesday, Merrill, and violinist-director, Lo-April 11, at 2:30 p.m. The program included:

Valse of the Flowers from the Nutcracker Suite by Tschaikow-

Sextette from Lucia by Doni-

Polka from The Bartered Bride by Smetana.

Intermezzo in E Minor by Elinor Smith; cello solo by Miss Smith.

Prelude, by Frances Phillips; Frances Phillips, pianist.

Intermezzo from the opera, Goyescas by Granados.

Kiss Me Quick, musical novelty by Isenman.

McCann; French horn, Stephen will play for this semester's pro-McCann; Elinor Smith, cello, and duction of "Junior Miss," during ensemble.

Landscapes and Memories, concert waltz, by Lorell McCann.

Personnel included: Flute, Maisie McCann; oboe, Mary Ada Torras; clarinet, W. J. Robinson; cello, Elinor Smith; bass, Mary Amyx; French horn, Steve jeysee's Music department.

semble again performed before trumpet, Bill Burgman; piano, rell McCann.

The ensemble has been in popular demand during the year for both civic and college programs. Complete concerts have been given before the Gold Star Mothers, Salinas Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Exchange Club, Business and Professional Women's Club, and Friends of Music.

A series of four concerts have been given for the S.J.C. student body with one coming up on Thursday, the twenty-seventh of this month, and an evening concert at the Salinas Main Street U.S.O. on Saturday, April 22.

The ensemble also played for the last semester J.C. play, "The Serenade by Titl; flute, Maisie Man Who Came to Dinner," and the performance tonight at the Washington School.

Frances Phillips, Elinor Smith, and Maisie McCann, prominent members of the ensemble, are touring with the Deputations group doing trio and solo per-Galpin; marimbaphone, Leon formances and representing Es-

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### IDIOT'S DELIGHT

can be a dangerous, or at the very least, a disconcerting posone who sits him down and figures out exactly what the lyrics to current poular songs are saying. His lot is a hard one. Either they say exactly nothing at all, or they turn his sensitive face several shades of pink and purple. Modern song writers, hapless cogs in the vast machine of tinpan alley which grinds out most of the ditties now inflicted upon the public, appear to give concert halls. little attention to the meaning of their librettoes. The tune is the thing, and as long as the words sound dreamily romantic things seem rosy. Yet analysis of these romantic outpourings leads one to the conclusion that song-lyric writers are either depraved examples of decadent social conditions or escapees from mental institutions. They dwell droolingly upon surrenders, and "all of me, take all of me," and various forms of mad-mad passion with much by-play of crushings to heaving bosoms and red-hot lips. All of their actions take place at night, daytime being strictly taboo, except as being one half of the inevitable combination which made "Night and Day" so popular. Parked cars, boudoirs, forests, park benches, and lakes appear mostly to be their favorite locales. This, with all the usual embroidery about "take me and make me your own" and "you make me feel this way" adds up, in the main, to a thin glossing over of various picturings of amourousness. We are neither saying yea nor nay to all of this. Our personal feelings we intend to leave out. We know what makes the world go round as well as does everyone else. But does everyone else ever wake up to what people are saying in those lyrics which are either croaked, gargled, cooed, shrieked, or moaned to the fanciful rhythms of popular dance bands.

Further, turning from this aspect of the romantic, we come to the other half of our proposition—that songs need make no sense at all. In this respect, one finds an enthusiasm quite unparallelled in modern music history. We feel absolutely certain in and pre-dentistry students and claiming that many songs make also students of osteopathy, vetabsolutely no coherent sense. Double talk features prominently

Sometimes an analytical mind incorrect rhetoric, and a good deal of what is popularly known as "jive talk," which consists of session. Consider the plight of isolated syllable sounds repeated in rapid successions of regular alternating rhythms in some cases, and exaggerated, somewhat forced attempts at colloquialisms on the other. Here again, the tune is the thing. There are those who wonder "what thing" and run screaming back to the classics, but they are few nowadays, and are mostly found hiding in the woodwork of various

Yet jazz is here to stay. In fact, we like it. We can dance quite well to it, confessing that we would be totally lost if confronted with a mazurka, srabande, Pavanne, Minuet, votte, quadrille, or polka. But the lyrics! Oh, my sainted aunt! The lyrics!

#### **DEPUTATIONS** ON MOVE

Today the J.C. Deputations group is appearing at Santa Cruz and Watsonville high schools to give their fourth and fifth presentations of their program. The group has five more schools to tour before the end of the semester. They will be at Pacific Grove on Wednesday, April 19, King City and Gonzales on Friday, April 28; Carmel on Friday. May 5.

The students who participate in the program are Shirley Vernon. who gives two monologues, one with a cockney and one with a Swedish accent. The students from the Music department are Mary Galpin, Maisie McCann, Clydene Merrill, Frances Phillips, Elinor Smith, Stephen McCann, Bill Burgman, Spirow Nicholaw, and Mary Ada Torras. The highlight of the program is the original compositions for the cello and piano by Frances Phillips and Elinor Smith.

#### Quotas ...

(Continued From Page ) was announced Tuesday by telegram received by President John B. Lemos.

Deferments for pre-medicine erinary medicine and theology are now being reconsidered but

## Spring! Spring! It's Here!

"In the spring a young man's thoughts lightly turn to thoughts of love" . . . and prof's turn to cinches. And so . . . all was serene until that horrible yesterday when names were posted . . . students were caught . . . girls were in tears . . . AND there were sighs of relief! But, let's not sink any lower into the mud of "You shoulda" done better" . . . smile a little, laugh a little, and see how the local creatures blossomed forth.

The "It's Love, Love, Love" Department: MARY FITZBUCK and WINSTON CARMEAN are THE couple to watch. She is racing with BETTIE MOORE and MARY BROWN for the honor of having the best tan on the campus. PHYLLIS GEORGE weeping real tears when former inmate BUBBLES JOHNSON left for Uncle Sam and Arkansas. But, ah, there are still letters! The threesome of CLARENCE LAMB, BETTY LOU FONTENEAU and EVAN COWLEY is still in a state of question marks!

The party at Asilomar really turned out to be a "time of your life." DAVE HILL and ARMSTRONG, all by their lonesomes, arrived, after Editor Hill finished working on the La Reata, just at the point when people were climbing into their cars to journey homeward. People wandered around among the sand dunes and moonbeams and GEORGE ELLIOT was stranded at CLYDENE MERRILL'S home for half the morning waiting for people to come after him who didn't arrive. GEORGE now has a date in the near future with Uncle Sam to win the war-in the navy.

DON BARSOTTI home on leave and racing all over town trying to contact NORMA JO LADRA last Saturday night. Former coed, BARBARA GOERLING, now a marine, roaming around her old Alma Mater searching for familiar faces. JIM LINDER, back from Africa with the navy, looking the campus over and finding ETTA CLAUSSEN. She wrote him wonderful letters while he was away, he announced to all.

BETTY BAGBY and VIRGINIA OLSON arguing about who was the best friend to the other. And, how the marines and English navy are getting on their nerves.

Good Friday was a beautiful day for all and Santa Cruz beach claimed many of S.J.C.'s brain children. TONY SANCHEZ. JEANNE WALLACH, ALISON DAVIES, SYBIL ANN WELLS, BILLIE LEE, MINA HICKS, GEORGE MOYER, BARBARA BUSH-NELL, and NADINE SNYDER sprawled on the sand and gathered vitamin D.

Co-chairmen of the Spring Prom ARMSTRONG and SANCHEZ shuddering at the name suggested by masterminds MARY BROWN, LILLIS HARRIS, MAYRE DAVIES, and SHEILA COCHRAN, who spent all of fifteen minutes thinking about it.

HELEN PAPAC screaming at the top of her lungs . . . something about how she needs a priority, a big priority . . . for a pingpong ball!

GEORGE (the Ash-Can Lover) MOYER and his blonde gal-pal CORINNE HALL are definitely on a purely "friends, now" basis. DEX WHITCOMBE is still watching out for his "Junior Miss"!

Now, as we leave you with these notes . . . we will say as Mrs. Cassidy said to Mr. Cassidy, "Let's hop-a-long"! . . . Courtesy, Fred Allen program.

Word will be sent to all college to further their interest of music heads as soon as a definite deci- in general. sion is made either way.

#### EDITORIAL

(Continued From Page 1) The Harmony class has devoted itself to composing original works while the Music Appreciation class constitutes an avas do incomplete sentences, much | will probably be rescinded also. | erage group of students desiring

With our own college concerts, community concerts, record collections, musical programs which are brought to us through radio and any opportunity to attend an out-of-town musical performance. perhaps we have found our loss has helped us to develop a keener interest and appreciate good music more than ever be-

-By MARY SOMKY

## Coeds Lose by One Run; Peavy Watches Rules

Final score 9-8, but, oh is that decision questioned! The first baseball game of the season, between the women and men of S.J.C., took place last Thursday at 12:15 on the campus dia-6 mond. Two and a half innings Brown came in on a wild throw.

of fast softball were run off. In the first of the third the coeds were taking their turn at bat. they were trailing by one run; the bases were loaded and Vera Lee Gould was in the batter's box. The ten-minute bell broke the silence, and Coach G. D. Peavy rushed frantically up to Umpire Amyx demanding that the game was over. It seems it had been arranged that the game was to be played according to time, and when the time was up, all play was to cease forthwith, the score of the previous stanza to be the final one.

Bassi started off the coeds' inning with a single though second base. Coroniotis walked, putting Bassi on second. Bencich singled, filling the bases. Nybro hit a pop fly to McCann on third and Bassi was caught off the bag for a double out. Turgeon singled, but forced the runner out at second. No runs, three hits, no errors.

Going into their half of the first, the men took the initiative early, but they had to fight hard to keep it. Armstrong singled; Fessasci forced Armstrong out on second. Fitz hit a pop fly to Bencich, and Sanchez singled. Flause singled, bringing McCann up, who hit a four-bagger, bringing all runners home. McGill was put out, Coroniotis to Bencich. Four hits, four runs and no errors.

Beginning the second inning. Armstrong took the mound for the men. Eight runs were scored off him before he was yanked out of the pitcher's box. Brown walked, Claussen walked, and

Wells walked and Claussen came in. Hicks walked, Handley singled on an error by Patrick. Gould came up with the bases full and walked, forcing in a run. Bassi singled, bringing across another. Coroniotis singled, making it six for the coeds, and Bencich doubled, bringing in the last two tallies for the women. Nybro walked, Turgeon flied out to Peavy, and Brown fouled out to the catcher. Another out ended the inning.

Rodriguez, Patrick, Peavy, Sanchez and Flause were responsible for the five runs scored in the last of the second. Sanchez was the man here with a home run.

Aside from Armstrong's wild second inning, the men played some good ball.

#### **NEW ACTIVITY** FOR STUDENTS: SIGN UP NOW

The sports department of The Panther Sentinel will sponsor a ping pong tournament to begin as soon as sign-up lists are com-

Two sign-up lists will be posted in the Sentinel office, one for the women, the other for the men for a singles tournament. There will be a central sign-up first to get names. Then there will be a drawing for positions on the ladders. The student may challenge two people above him. The ladder play will end on April 28, as all games should be played off by then.

On the following Monday, May

Sports By Ann Casati Chatter

The big important event of the week in the sports world was Thursday's two-and-a-half inning baseball fracas, Coeds vs. J.C. Men, and what an event! Comments were free and easy after the game, the biggest question of all was why did Coach Peavy call quits. That was answered in the game story. Just what would have happened had the game continued, no one will ever know. Would the batter have hit, been walked, or been forced out? It is really difficult to say, because at her first time at bat she was walked and the bases were loaded. The men won, but there is still a doubt.

Nevertheless, all prejudices put aside, the game was good. Excellent playing was exhibited by the coeds. The men's team, which was made up of lesser players, were right in there the whole time trying hard to maintain a lead and keep it. Down on third, Stevie McCann put his whole heart and soul into play. He was on his toes right up until the game was called. Mr. Leon Amyx deserves thanks for his keen scrutiny in umpiring. Even though many of his decisions were questioned, he tried to stick to them.

Chalk up another win for the J.C. coeds. Last Tuesday's baseball game here at the college aginst the WAC's proved to be a thriller. You missed something really great if you failed to witness that particular game. About the biggest highlight of the whole affair was the way the Jayceers came back in the last of the third inning, passing up the five-run lead the WAC's had piled up.

Some excellent ballhandling was displayed by the college team. Sybil Wells, playing buck short, featured in some goods plays, stopping the air base from possibly earning more markers. Ada Bassi, catcher for S.J.C. in the third and fourth innings, also deserves credit for the victory. With the bases loaded, and two men out, J.C. trailing by five runs, Ada got a double, bringing across three runners (Talk about hitting at the right time and to the best advantage!). That would look mighty good on any score card, or any batting average. Gloria Bencich was no doubt the best pitcher for Miss Handley's team. She and Elaine Coroniotis shared the pitching honors. The game was really close, and not too one-sided; it was about one of the best contests we've ever witnessed on any women's diamond.

1, the singles tournament will begin. The players may challenge any persons on the list.

It is up to you to make the tournament a success. If you're interested, and we're almost certain you will be, because competition will be keen, drop into the Sentinel office no later than Monday, and put your name on the list. The tennis table in the recreation room will be used, and another table has been set up in the men's gym.

### Soroptimist ...

(Continued From Page 1) does not have to be paid back to the Soroptimist Club until the girl has finished school and has a steady job. Then the money can be paid back in small sums each month.

#### **Junior Miss**

(Continued From Page 1) and well received by the different audiences and all indications point to a capacity house. Since ets before the performance tothe auditorium seats approximately 550, the public is urged the main office or from any cast to purchase the remaining tick- member.

#### S.J.C. DROPS TENNIS MATCH TO PRESIDIO

Salinas J.C. tennis team traveled over to the Presidio of Monterey last Thursday to participate in a match with the Presidio squad. J.C. was defeated 8-1. Bob Scrivani, a former J.C. tennis man, was on the soldiers' team. Dick Smario was the only Esjayseer to bring home a victory.

#### Cafe Society ...

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the commission to journey to Monterey to audition them during the week.

Entertainment has not yet been decided upon, but a buffet supper will be served.

Admission has been set at 2.00 per couple.

night. They may be obtained at

